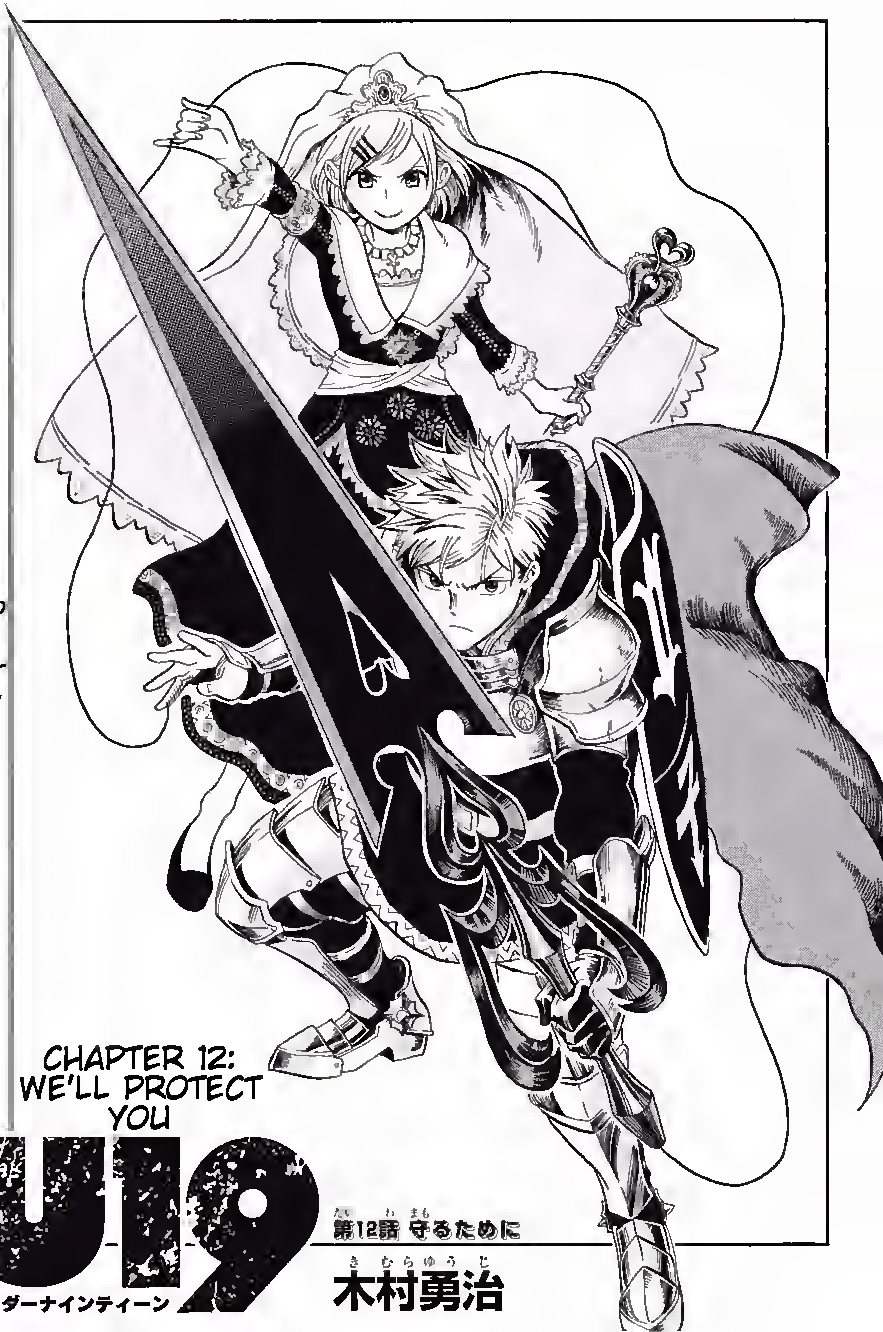

CHAPTER 12: WE'LL PROTECT YOU

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THE TANK BLEW UP!!
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WAIT, WHAT?!
WHAT HAPPENED?!
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HEY, HEY...
DID KUDOU'S NEEDLE JUST GET BIGGER?!
YEAH!
ARE YOU COMING AROUND, DAIYA?!
UGH...
HUH?!
THE LIBIDO IS THE PHYSICAL EMBODIMENT OF A STRONG IMPULSE OR DESIRE.
WITH THE UNION OF TWO FEELINGS, ITS STRENGTH INCREASES!
KUDOU'S LIBIDO HAS EVOLVED!
BUT FOR KUDOU...
...THE REASON MAY BE A BIT DIFFERENT.

THE LIBIDO IS EXTRA-ORDINARY!
HA HA HA HA HA!!
HIS LIBIDO MAY HAVE EVOLVED NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF HIS WISH TO ESCAPE THE SCHOOL, BUT ALSO DUE TO HIS STRONG DESIRE TO PROTECT...
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THIS POWER MUST BECOME OURS!
IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW WE GET IT!
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...THE PERSON HE LOVES!
CATCH THEM WITHOUT FATALLY WOUNDING THEM!
NOW IT'S YOUR TURN, MY ELITE SOLDIERS!
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...AND CAPTURE THEM!!
USE WHAT-EVER MEANS YOU DEEM NECESS-ARY...
YES, SIR!

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!!?
THEIR SOLDIERS ARE ATTACK-ING!
AKARI MIGHT GET HURT IF I FIGHT HERE!
SO ...
HEY!
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!?
I'LL STOP THEM BEFORE THEY CAN COME THROUGH THE GATE!
HERE HE COMES!
ATT-ACK!
HE JUST THREW HIS WEAPON IN FRONT OF HIM!
KCHK!
NOW'S MY CHANCE!
HOW RECKLESS! HE'S NOT PAYING ATTENTION TO HIS SURROUND-INGS!
HEE HEE HEE!

HUH?!
TAKE DOWN THE SNIPER!!
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!!?
...BUT HE WAS AIMING FOR ME THE WHOLE TIME!
HE TRICKED ME! HE PRETENDED TO ATTACK IN FRONT OF HIM...
AAH! WHAT THE ...?!
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HAH! YOU MAY HAVE GOTTEN OUR SNIPER...
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BUT NOW ...
...YOU'RE WIDE OPEN! NOTHING CAN SAVE YOU NOW!
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NO, KUDOU!
!!?
I CAN'T BRING THE NEEDLE BACK IN TIME!
IF I ARRANGE THE THREAD LIKE THIS...
...IT'LL BECOME AS STRONG AS A WIRE!
BUT ...!
HE'S RIGHT. ONE THREAD WON'T BE ABLE TO STOP THEIR BULLETS.
YOUR THREADS CAN'T STOP OUR BULLETS!
!!?
WHAT?! HE CAUGHT OUR BULLETS?!
COCOON GUARDIAN!
HERE! YOU CAN TAKE 'EM BACK!

COCOON COUNTER!
GYA-AAA-AGH!!!
WHAT?!
HE DEFL-ECTED THE BULL-ETS!
JUST LIKE MY ECHO-ING VOICE!
NOW, TAKE THIS!!
!?
WHAT?!
AAH!!

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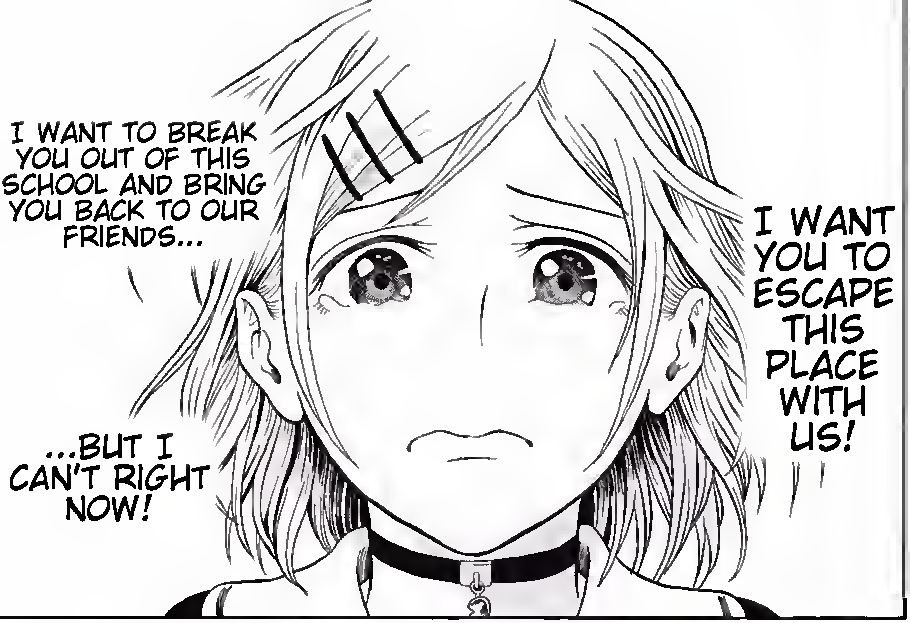
NOW'S OUR BEST CHANCE TO ESCAPE!
OK!
HEH HEH...
NICE WORK, NEWBIE!
E-EIJI...
HAH...
...BUT THE RED THREAD'S POWER IS REALLY SOME-THING TO BEHOLD!
HAH...
COME ON, KUDOU!
HEY!
I KNOW, AKARI!
I FEEL THE SAME!
HURRY UP!


I WANT TO BREAK YOU OUT OF THIS SCHOOL AND BRING YOU BACK TO OUR FRIENDS...
...BUT I CAN'T RIGHT NOW!
I WANT YOU TO ESCAPE THIS PLACE WITH US!

I SAW THAT GUY IN THE VIDEO NANAMI SHOWED ME!
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THAT'S AKARI'S SOUL-MATE!
THERE WAS AN ORDER TO STAY IN THE BUILDINGS!
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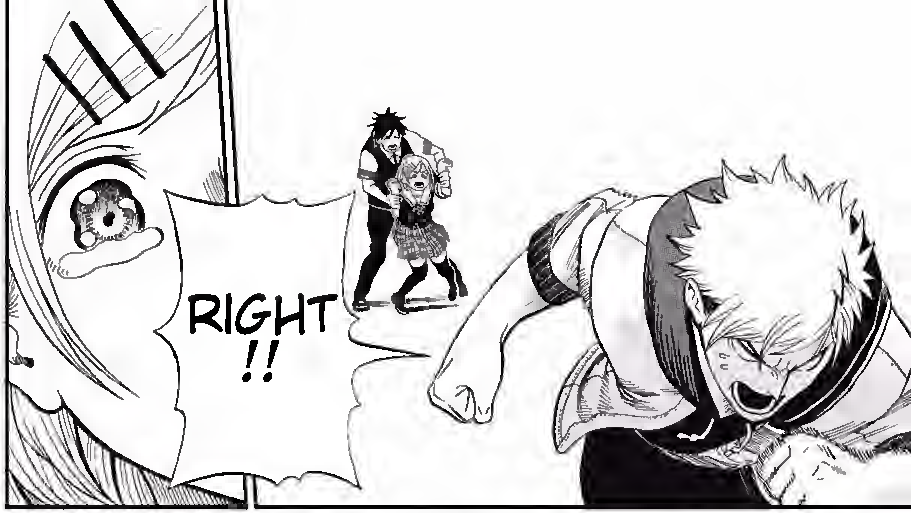
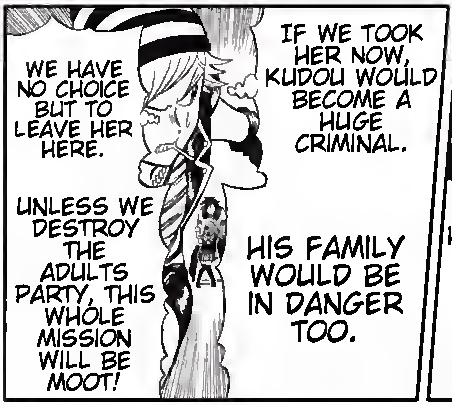
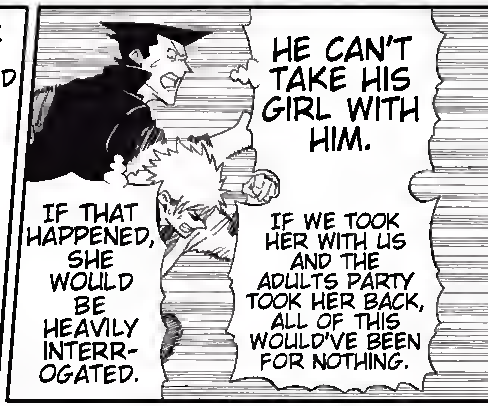
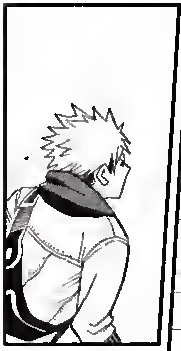
SEGAWA ?!
TSUKINO, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
!!?

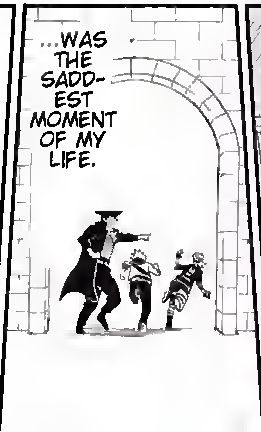
WE'RE OUT OF TIME, KUDOU!
GET MOV-ING!
OH CRAP! MORE GUARDS ARE COMING!
LET GO OF ME, SEG-AWA!
NO WAY!
THOSE INTRUDERS ARE DANGER-OUS!


RIGHT!!


WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO LEAVE HER HERE.
UNLESS WE DESTROY THE ADULTS PARTY, THIS WHOLE MISSION WILL BE MOOT!
IF WE TOOK HER NOW, KUDOU WOULD BECOME A HUGE CRIMINAL.
HIS FAMILY WOULD BE IN DANGER TOO.


HE CAN'T TAKE HIS GIRL WITH HIM.
IF WE TOOK HER WITH US AND THE ADULTS PARTY TOOK HER BACK, ALL OF THIS WOULD'VE BEEN FOR NOTHING.
IF THAT HAPPENED, SHE WOULD BE HEAVILY INTERR-OGATED.




...WAS THE SADD-EST MOMENT OF MY LIFE.

BEING SEPER-ATED FROM YOU...

BUT ...
I UNDER-STAND, EIJI...

YOU'VE SEEN US, ADULTS!
HA HA HA HA HA!
WE ARE GARAGE KID!
WHAT ?!
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!?
WE ARE BOUND BY THE STRONGEST OF PROMISES!
THE ERA OF PEACEFUL DAYS GONE BY...
SO EVERYONE WHO'S BEEN HURT BY THE ADULTS PARTY...
...DRIVES US TO CREATE A BETTER TOMORROW!
...WAIT FOR US! WE'LL PROTECT YOU!

HA HA HA HA HA!!
...THE HELL WAS THAT?
GARAGE KID?
I THINK I KNOW ABOUT THAT!
GARAGE KID IS A POPULAR URBAN LEGEND AMONG TEENS...
YOU'LL PROTECT US...
...NEVER GIVE UP!
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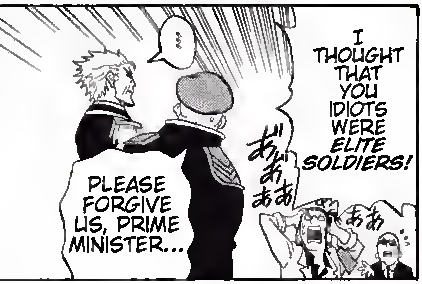
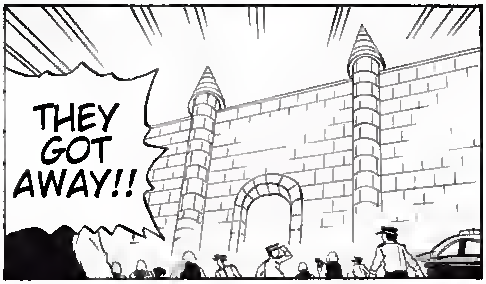
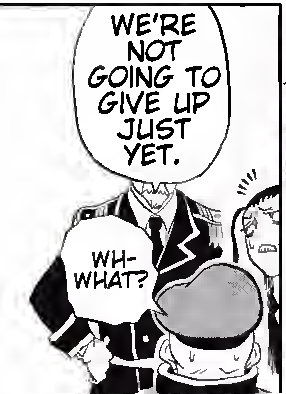
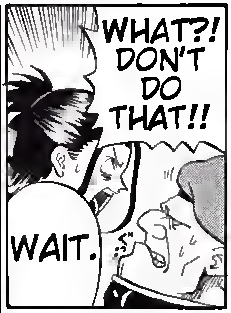
THANK YOU, EIJI...
I'LL ...
キュッ...!
NICE JOB FIGHTING THE SOLDIERS, KUDOU!
NICE! WE MANAGED TO GET AWAY!
!?

KEEP YOUR CHIN UP, NEWBIE!
YEAH! YOU'RE A REAL MAN, KUDOU!
RI...
RIGHT!
WE MAY HAVE TO RUN AWAY NOW...
...BUT I SWEAR THAT I'LL SAVE AKARI!
YEAH!

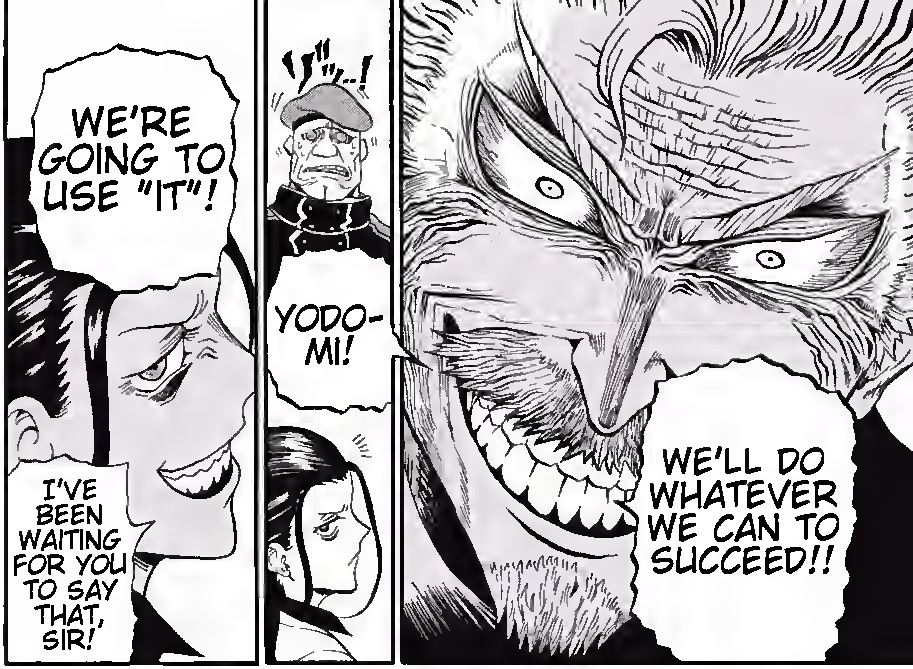

I THOUGHT THAT YOU IDIOTS WERE ELITE SOLDIERS!
PLEASE FORGIVE US, PRIME MINISTER...

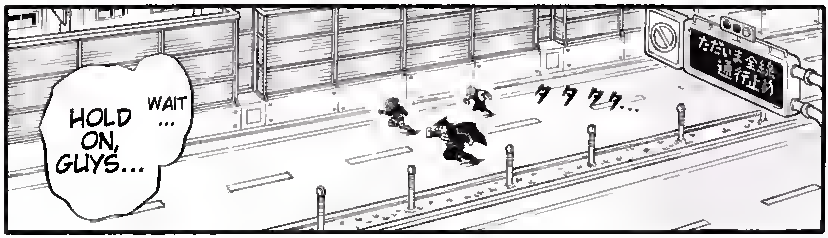

THEY GOT AWAY!!


WE'RE NOT GOING TO GIVE UP JUST YET.
WH-WHAT?


WHAT?! DON'T DO THAT!!
WAIT.

OUR BIGGEST PRIORITY IS TO PROTECT YOU...
...BUT WE FAILED TO STOP OUR ENEMY'S ASSAULT.
I'LL COMMAND THE REMAINING TROOPS TO WITHDRAW.


WE'RE GOING TO USE "IT"!
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU TO SAY THAT, SIR!
YODO-MI!
WE'LL DO WHATEVER WE CAN TO SUCCEED!!


HOLD ON, GUYS...
WAIT ...
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LOOK! THERE'S A HELICOPTER ABOVE US!
IT'S SO LOUD ...
...WHY ARE WE RUNNING THIS WAY?
WE'RE TRYING TO GET THEIR ATTENTION.
IF SHIKI YAMATO CONTROLS THIS AREA...

NOW THAT SHIKI KNOWS ABOUT US, THE PLAN TO OVER-THROW THE COUNTRY HAS CHANGED!
ON TOP OF THAT, I DIDN'T HAVE ANY TIME TO CONTACT HEAD-QUARTERS!
WE NEED TO GET AS MUCH ATTENT-ION AS POSSIBLE ...
...SO THAT OUR ALLIES CAN COME PICK US UP!
PICK US UP ...?
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?
THE HELI-COPTER IS STAYING AWAY...
WOAH!
OUR ALLIES WOULDN'T HAPPEN TO BE...
?
...PILOTING THAT WEIRD LOOKING THING, WOULD THEY?
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!!?
NO... TAKE A CLOSER LOOK!
THAT THING HAS AN ADULTS PARTY SYMBOL!
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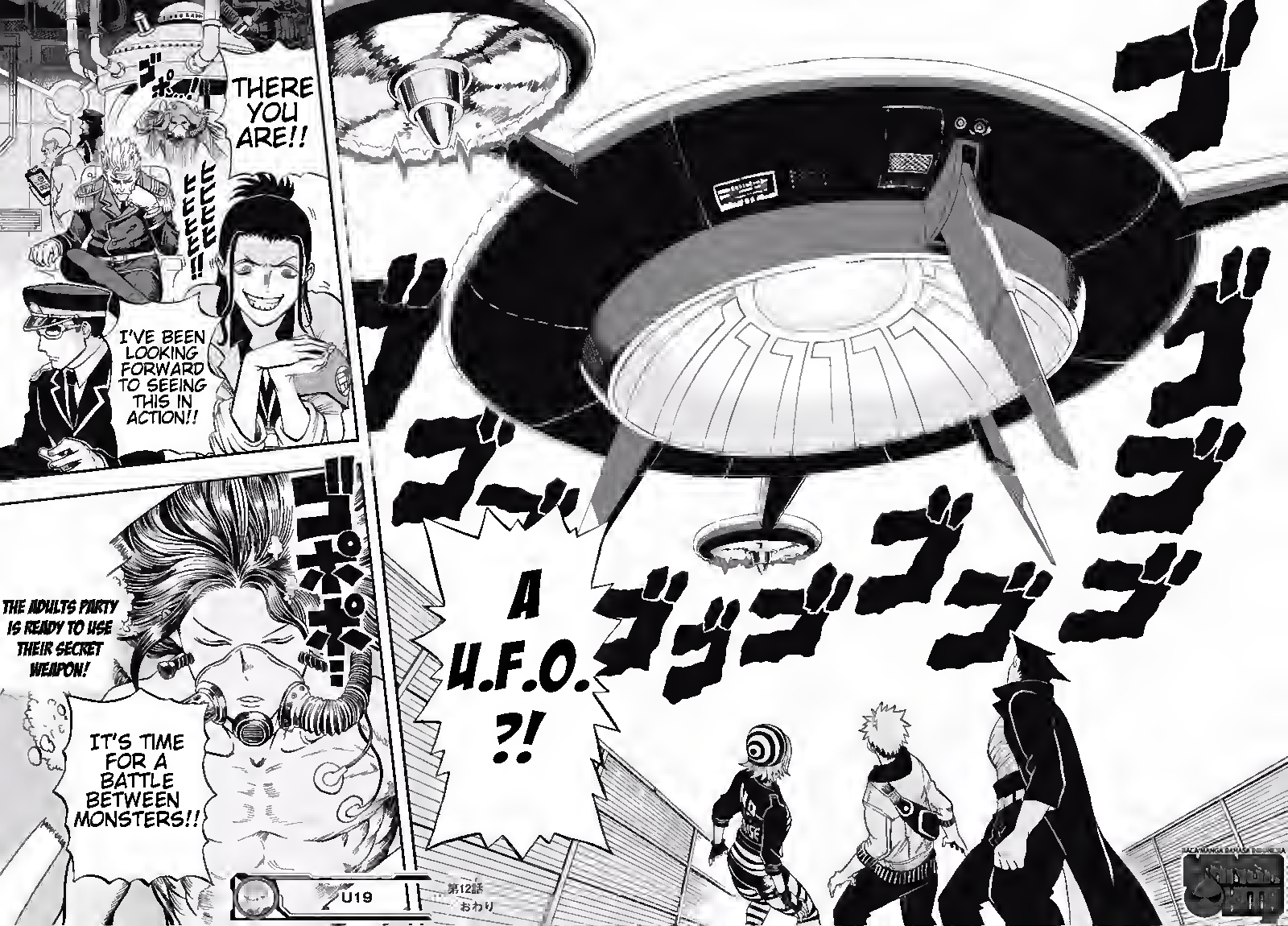
DID THEY ALWAYS HAVE THAT?!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